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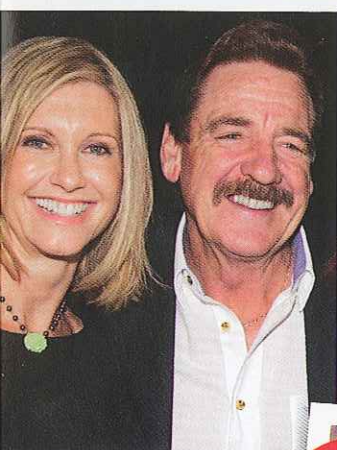
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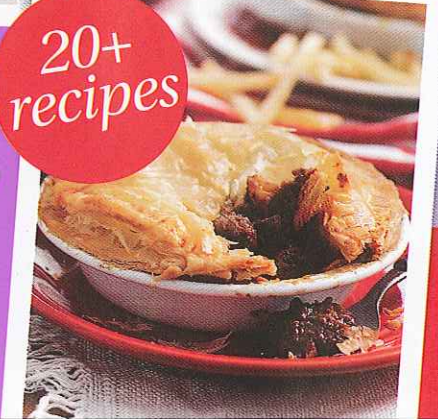
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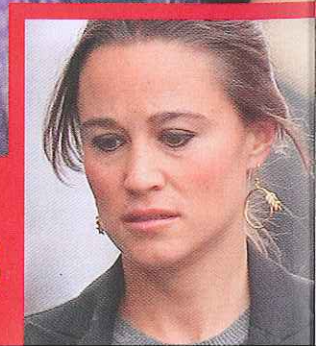
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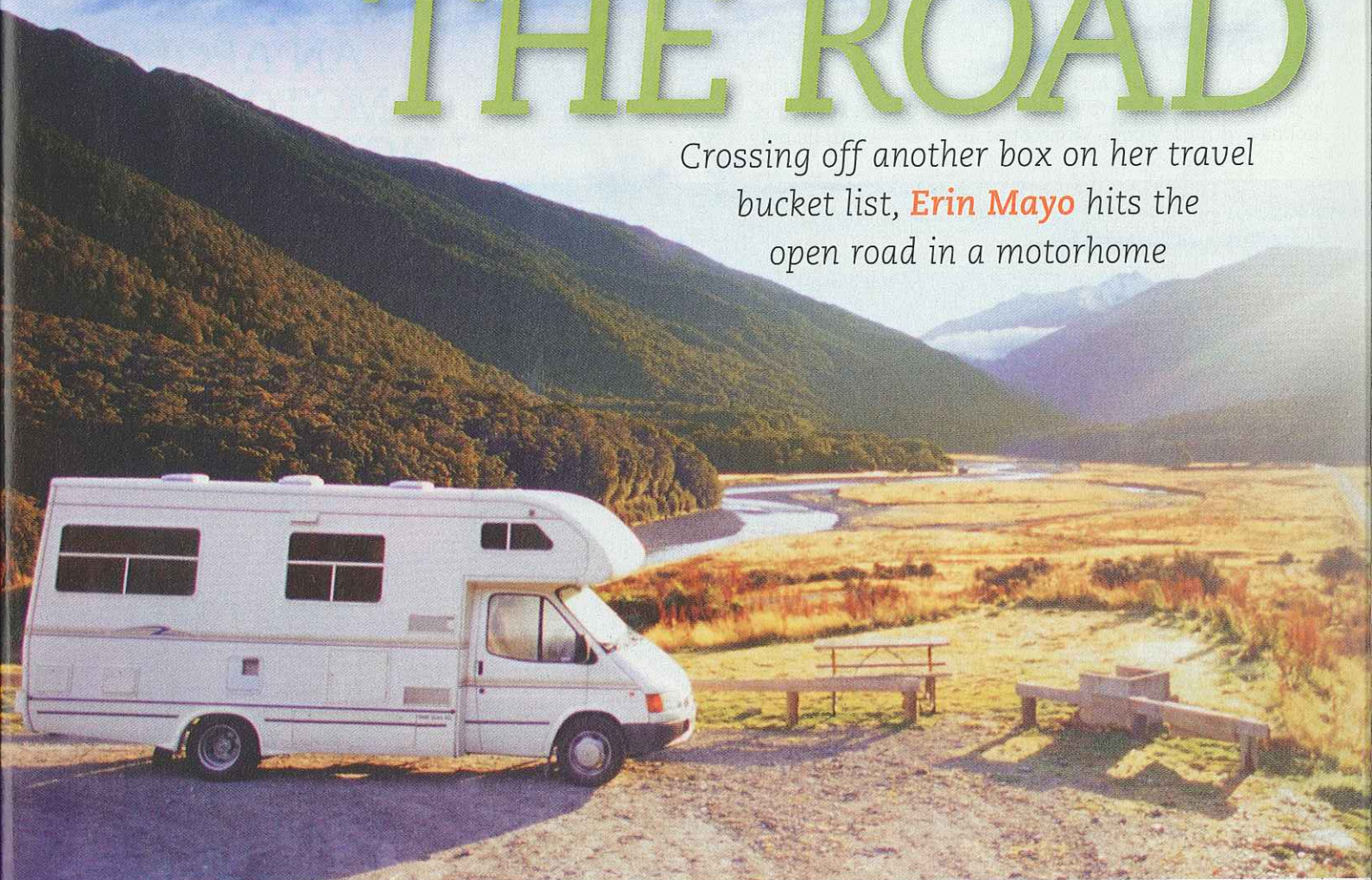
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**PIPPA'S TEARS
AT ROYAL SNUB**



King of THE ROAD

Crossing off another box on her travel bucket list, **Erin Mayo** hits the open road in a motorhome



Admit it – you’ve seen those big motorhomes while driving along the highway and thought, “Some day, I’m going to do that.” There’s something about hitting the open road with every creature comfort on board. And for those wary of towing a caravan, a motorhome is a brilliant option.

With this in mind, we pick up our Apollo motorhome for our annual camping holiday, ready to hit the road and set up camp whenever the inclination takes us. While we did plan our final destination, there is something footloose and fancy-free about knowing we can stop wherever we want and there’s a warm shower and comfortable bed on hand.

Driving a vehicle of this size is surprisingly easy. No special licence is required, although these campervans are manual drive. And with all mod-cons on tap, this isn’t roughing it. Having opted for the six-berth Euro Deluxe model, we had three comfy double beds to sleep

in, kitchen facilities, including a fully equipped gas stove and microwave, and an in-van shower and toilet – so there’s no running to the camp bathrooms! What’s more, linen, including towels and blankets, is included.

So, ‘Where does everyone sit?’ I hear you ask. (This was the most common question from other holidaymakers when pulling into caravan parks.) While the main cabin seats two, the dining seats come with seatbelts for another four happy campers.

Strapping in the family, we head north from Sydney, our first stop the NSW mid-north coast. Within 10 minutes of reaching our destination, we’ve unpacked the awning and are enjoying a glass of wine and a beer. A few days later, it takes another 10 minutes to get back on the road, headed to our next destination.

There are some obvious drawbacks to campervanning – because you don’t have a separate car, any day trips mean taking the whole house with you, and the cabin

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can be a little noisy while on the road, but the pros far outweigh the cons. For convenience, freedom and the ability to explore the country with the flexibility to pull in and out wherever the open road takes you, you can't beat it. Definitely something to put on the travel bucket list!

GREAT DEAL!

Apollo is encouraging first-time motorhome travellers to try a self-drive holiday with the Apollo Virgin Special.

- ♦ **Virgin families and groups:** 7 nights from \$126 per person based on a 6-berth motorhome.
- ♦ **Virgin couples:** 7 nights from \$141 per person based on a 2-berth 'Hitop' motorhome.

Simply enter the promo code **WDVIRGIN** in the booking form on apollocamper.com/wdvirgin/ to secure your maiden voyage!

The Apollo Virgin special is for travel between April 16 and June 30, 2012, in Australia only.

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TOP TOURING TIPS

Whether your trip is a delight or disaster depends largely on planning. Max Taylor, editor of *Caravan World* mag, tells how to get the best from a motorhome holiday.

- ♦ A means of communication and adequate water supply (at least 5 litres per person, per day) when touring remote areas is essential. Satellite phones and personal locator beacons have saved lives. Ignore this advice at your peril!

- ♦ Refuel every chance you get. Nothing makes you more nervous than running out of fuel in the back of beyond, with no servo in sight.

- ♦ Befriend the locals for a more interesting trip. Almost every destination has more to offer than the brochures reveal.
- ♦ If you're heading north, travel in the shoulder seasons – slightly either side of peak – to avoid the crowds.
- ♦ Be aware of the overall height of your campervan. Roof-mounted airconditioners and bridges have never got along.
- ♦ You're ready to move on. Before starting the ignition, have another look around. Are the gas cylinders off? Is the awning properly secured? Are hatches down? In the haste and excitement of it all, it's easy to overlook something.



WIN!



AN APOLLO MOTORHOME HOLIDAY WORTH \$5000!

WE HAVE 5 TO GIVE AWAY!

- ♦ To celebrate its Virgin Special, Apollo is offering five lucky *Woman's Day* readers the chance to win a fantastic, two-week motorhome holiday.

ENTER NOW!

Simply tell us, in 25 words or less, why you'd love to try a motorhome holiday and send your entry, marked "Woman's Day Apollo holiday competition", via email to womansday@acpmagazines.com.au, by mail to GPO Box 3525, Sydney, NSW 2001 or online at www.womansday.com.au. Be sure to include your full name, address and preferred contact number.



Competition commences March 19, 2012 and closes March 26, 2012 at 11.59pm (AEDST). Competition is open to residents of Australia aged 21 and over. Winners must have held a full Australian driver's licence for a minimum of two years. Winners must be able to redeem the prize between April 16-June 30, 2012. This is a game of skill. Winners will be notified by phone or email using contact details provided in their entry. For full terms and conditions of entry, visit www.womansday.ninemsn.com.au. See contents page for ACP Magazines Limited's privacy notice. If you do not want your information provided to any organisation not associated with this promotion, please indicate this clearly on your entry. By entering the competition, the entrant consents to receipt of any email regarding the promotion from the Promoter and other emails which inform the entrant of the Promoter's other publications, products, services and events, and to promote third-party goods and services it may be interested in.